National Stage application of PCT/GB98/02899

Filed: March 22, 2000

For: PHARMACEUTICAL COMPOSITION FOR THE TREATMENT OF INFLAMMATORY BOWEL DISEASE

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Honorable Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to examination of the above application, please amend the application as

follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Cancel claims 16-21.

Amend the claims as follows:

1. (Amended) A rectally administrable or post-gastrically available delayed release

oral (DRO) or [rectally administrable] pharmaceutical composition for the treatment or prophylaxis of inflammatory bowel disease (IBD), said composition comprising a

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